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EXILES



WORLD
HOUSE OF M
FOUR

THIS IS HOW IT WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE HAPPENED...

...A FEW YEARS AGO, THE X-MEN OF REALITY SIX-ONE-SIX FOUGHT THE MUTANT SON OF THEIR FRIEND, MOIRA MACTAGGERT.

KEVIN MACTAGGERT POSSESSED HIS FATHER'S BODY, WITHERING IT TO A HUSK AS HE USED UP ITS LIFE-FORCE.

WHEN X-MAN PETER RASPUTIN THREW HIM INTO A WALL, KEVIN CRUMPLED LIKE A DRIED-OUT MUMMY.

WHAT WAS LEFT WAS HIS TRUE SELF--A GHOSTLY WRAITH CAPABLE OF RESHAPING THE FABRIC OF REALITY ITSELF.

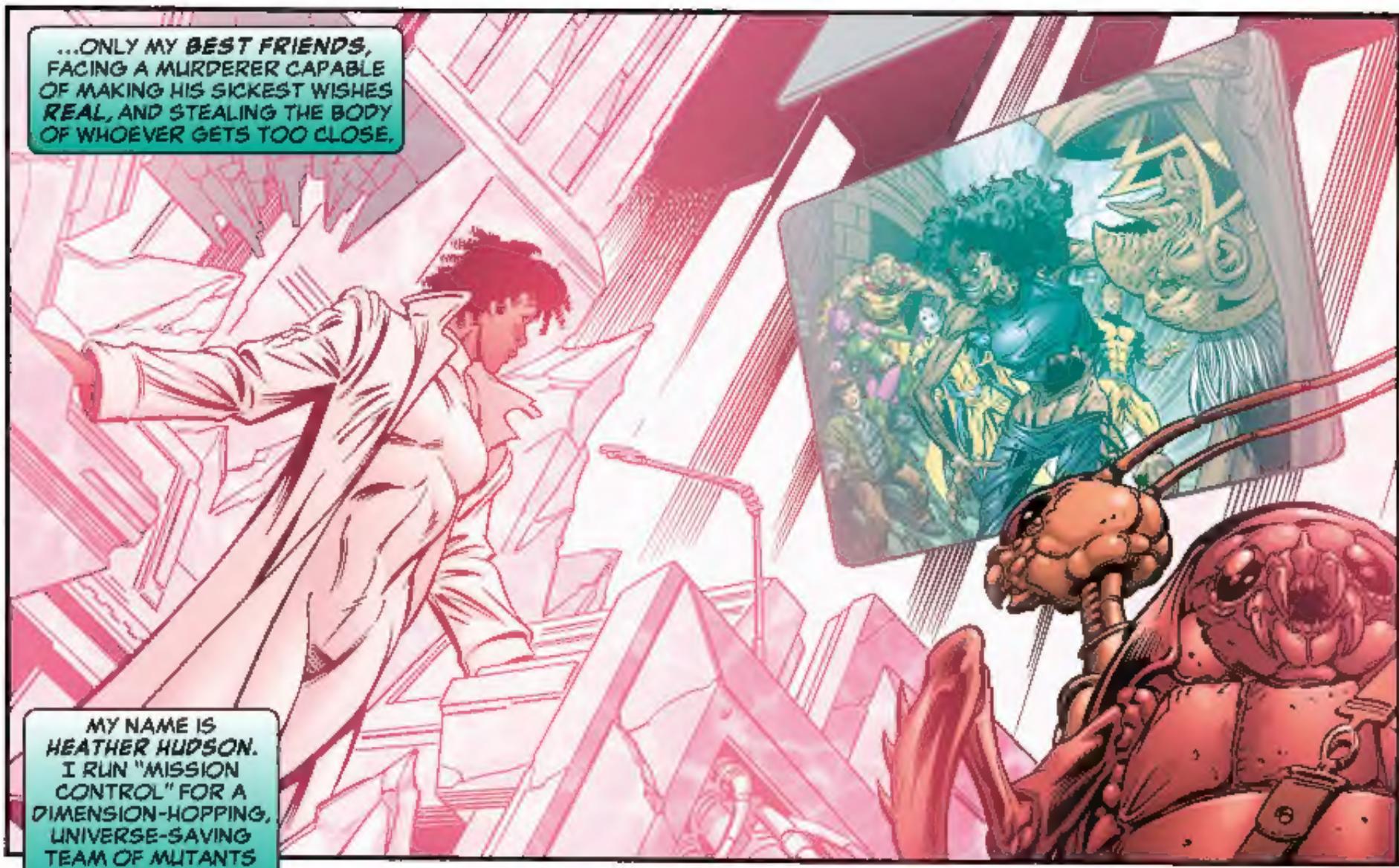
BY THEN, HE WAS CALLING HIMSELF PROTEUS, AFTER THE SHAPE-CHANGING GOD OF GREEK MYTH. I GUESS THAT FIT, SINCE HE HAD GODLIKE POWER.

HE ALSO HAD ONE BIG VULNERABILITY--METAL COULD DISRUPT THE DELICATE ENERGY MATRIX THAT HELD HIM TOGETHER.

TOO BAD FOR HIM HE PICKED A FIGHT WITH COLOSSUS, WHO CAN TRANSFORM INTO LIVING STEEL.

IF COLOSSUS HADN'T DESTROYED HIM, PROTEUS MIGHT HAVE BECOME THE MOST DANGEROUS MUTANT EVER.

 THE CRYSTAL PALACE
OUTSIDE SPACE AND TIME



EARTH #616

THE UPPER WEST SIDE

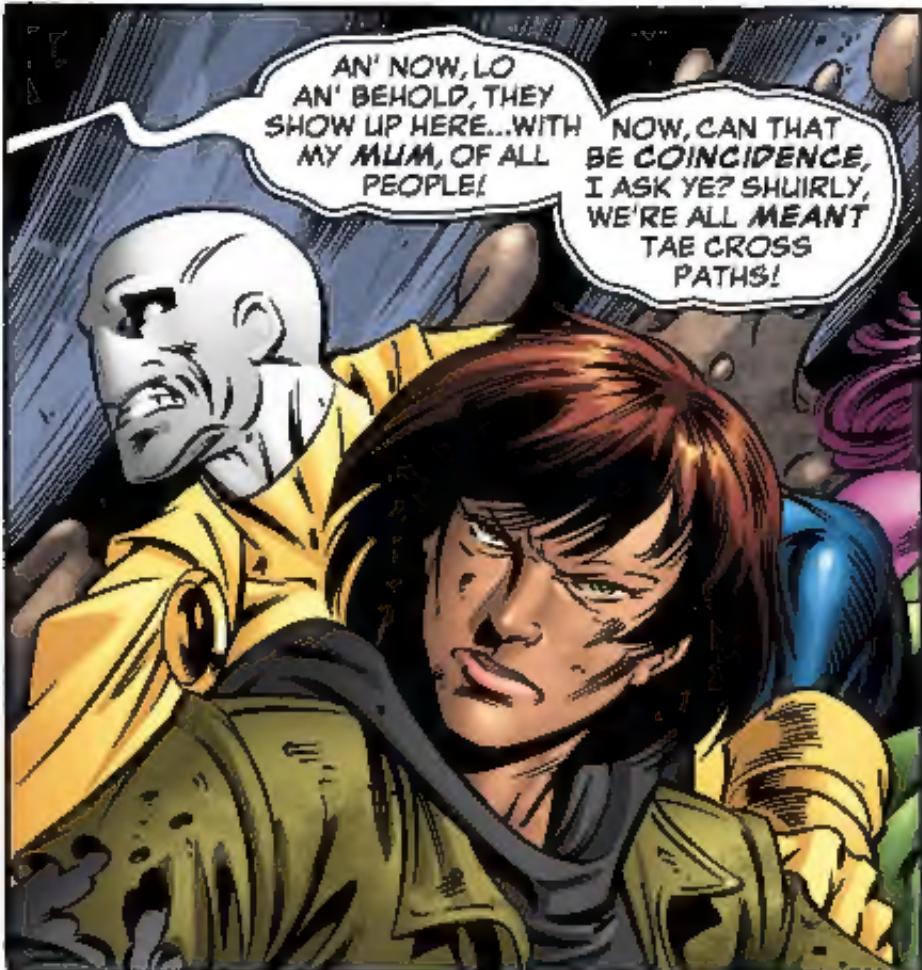
SO YUUR THE
FAMOUS EXILES
I'VE HEARD SO
MUCH ABOUT!

BEAK SAYS YUUR
ALWAYS TRAVELIN'
TAE OTHER REALITIES,
RESHAPIN' EACH NEW
EARTH YE COME
ACROSS!

SOUNDS
BRILLIANT.
WHERE DO I
SIGN UP?

THE WOMAN DOING ALL THE
TALKING IS NO WOMAN AT ALL.
THE BODY ONCE BELONGED TO
BEAK'S GIRLFRIEND, ANGEL. NOW
IT'S JUST ANOTHER SHELL
BEING USED UP BY PROTEUS.

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HOUSE OF M
TOUR
Conclusion



FOR A MOMENT, I
THINK SOMETHING'S
WRONG WITH THE
VIEWSCREEN.

EYAHHH!

GIVE US A
LOOK AT YUUR
BANGLE, BIG
LAD.

SEEMS LIKE GOLD,
BUT 'TIS NAE METAL AT
ALL. S'MORE LIKE A HOOLE
IN TIME, AN' I BET I KNOW
WHO'S ON THE OTHER
SIDE...

HULLO, IN
THERE! BEAK
TOLD ME ABOUT
YE, TOO!

MIND IF
I PAY A WEE
VISIT?

REALITY
INDICES AND
SECONDARY
DATABASES
ARE BEING
ACCESSED!

WHAT?
HOW?!

PROTEUS IS SOMEHOW DOWNLOADING
OUR LISTINGS OF UNIVERSE AFTER UNIVERSE,
LIKE SOME TRANSDIMENSIONAL HACKER.

NEVER
MIND--SHUT
IT OFF!

-POF-

SHUT IT
ALL OFF!

-POF-

KZAKK
SPAK

BAD ENOUGH HE'S A
THREAT TO HIS OWN
REALITY, BUT LETTING
THAT MONSTER GLIMPSE
OTHER WORLDS HE
COULD MURDER HIS WAY
ACROSS...?

OCH, HOW
RUDE! SHE
SLAMMED
THE DOOR
ON ME.

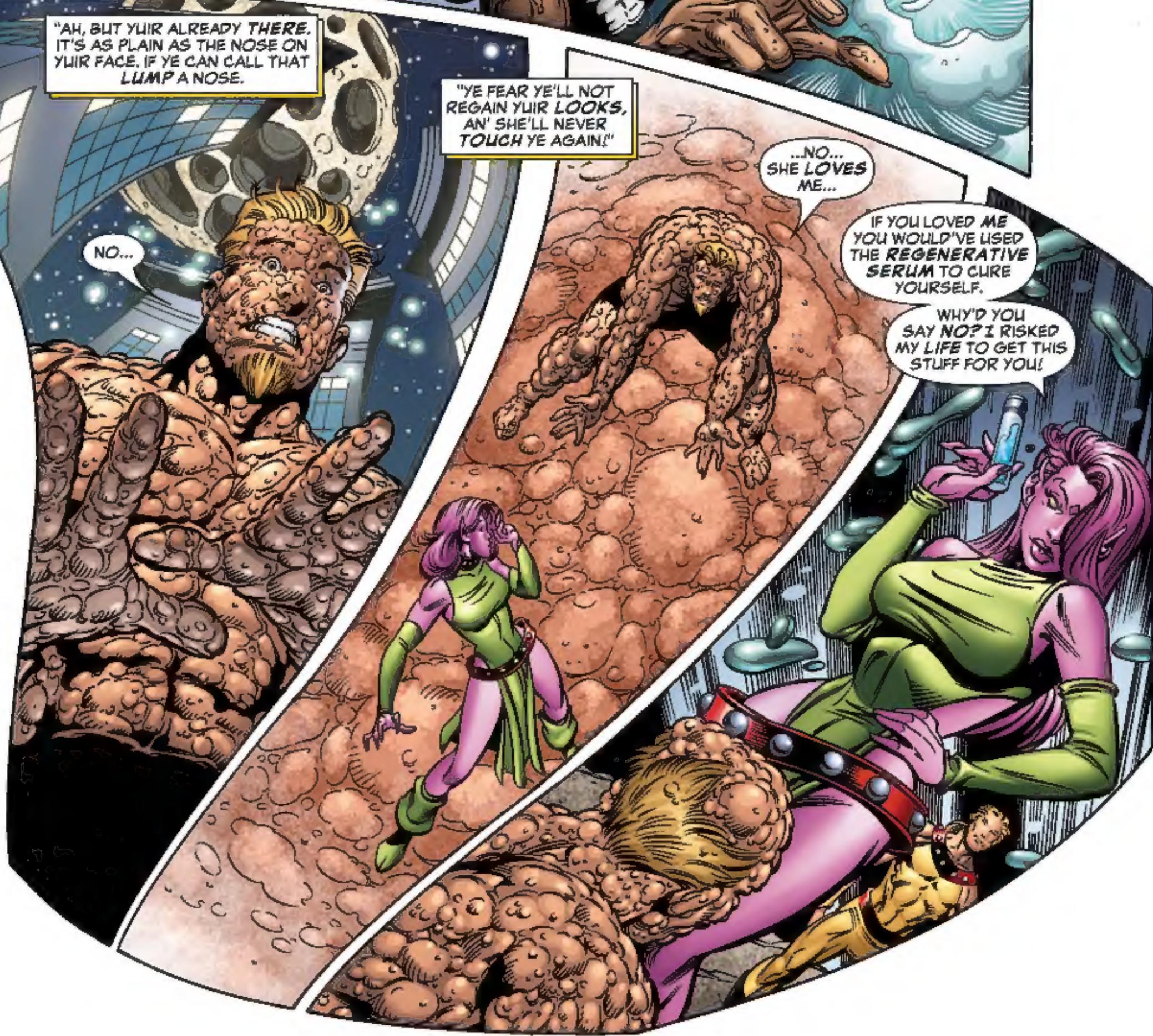
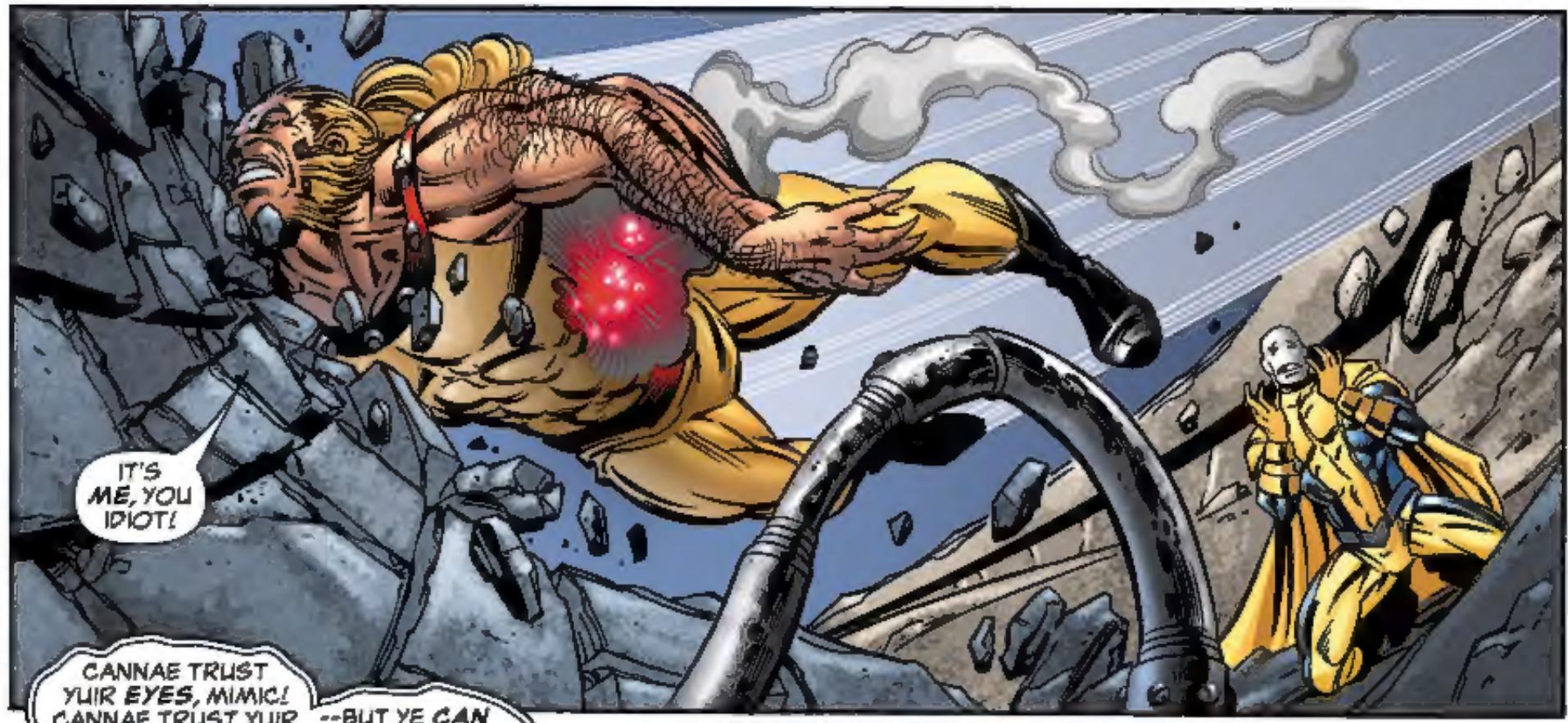
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GAHH...

SHE SEEMED
SURPRISED I COULD
DO THAT. SO DID YEH,
FOR THAT MATTER.

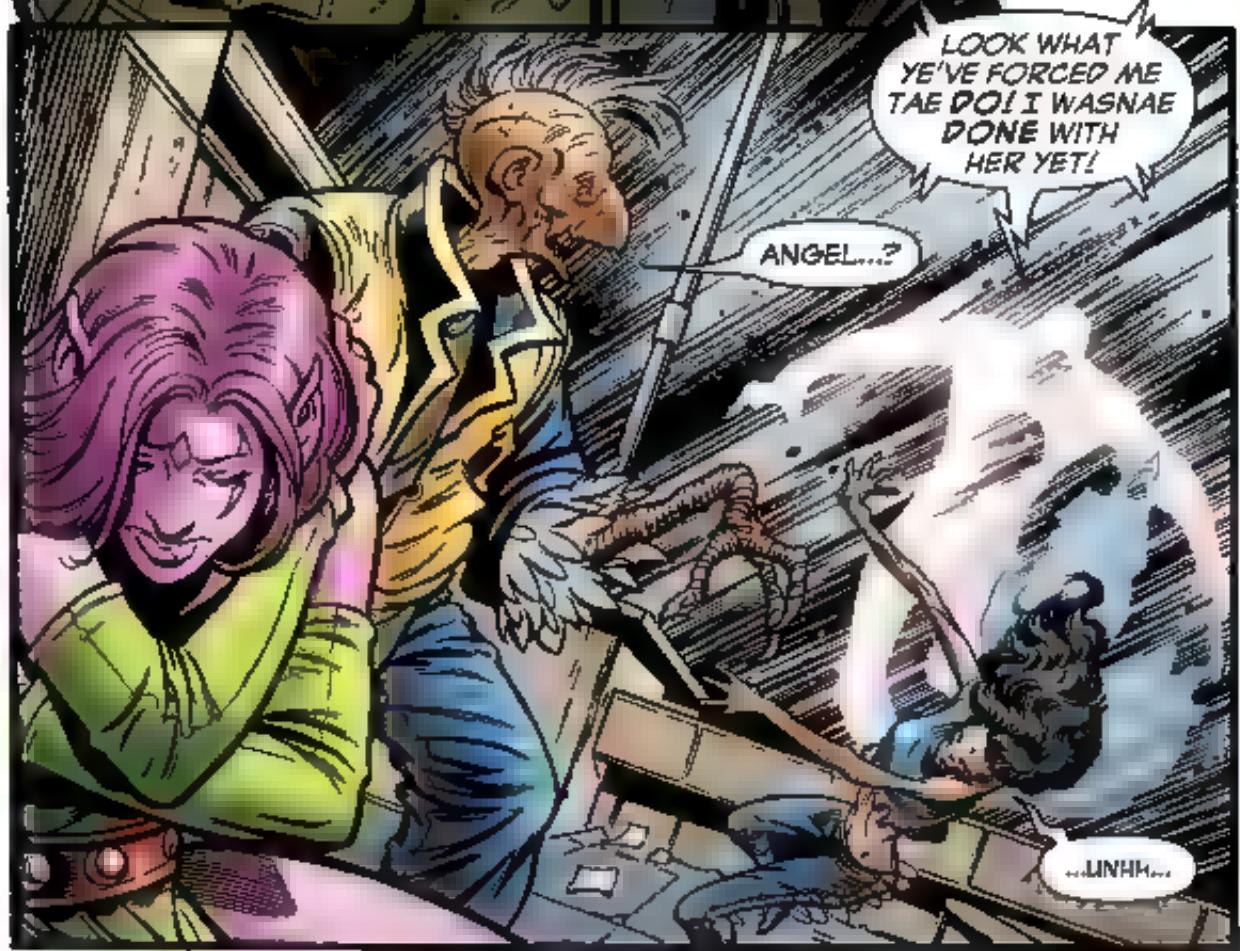
DIDN'T DEAR
AUL' MUM TELL
YE ANYTHIN'
ABOUT ME?

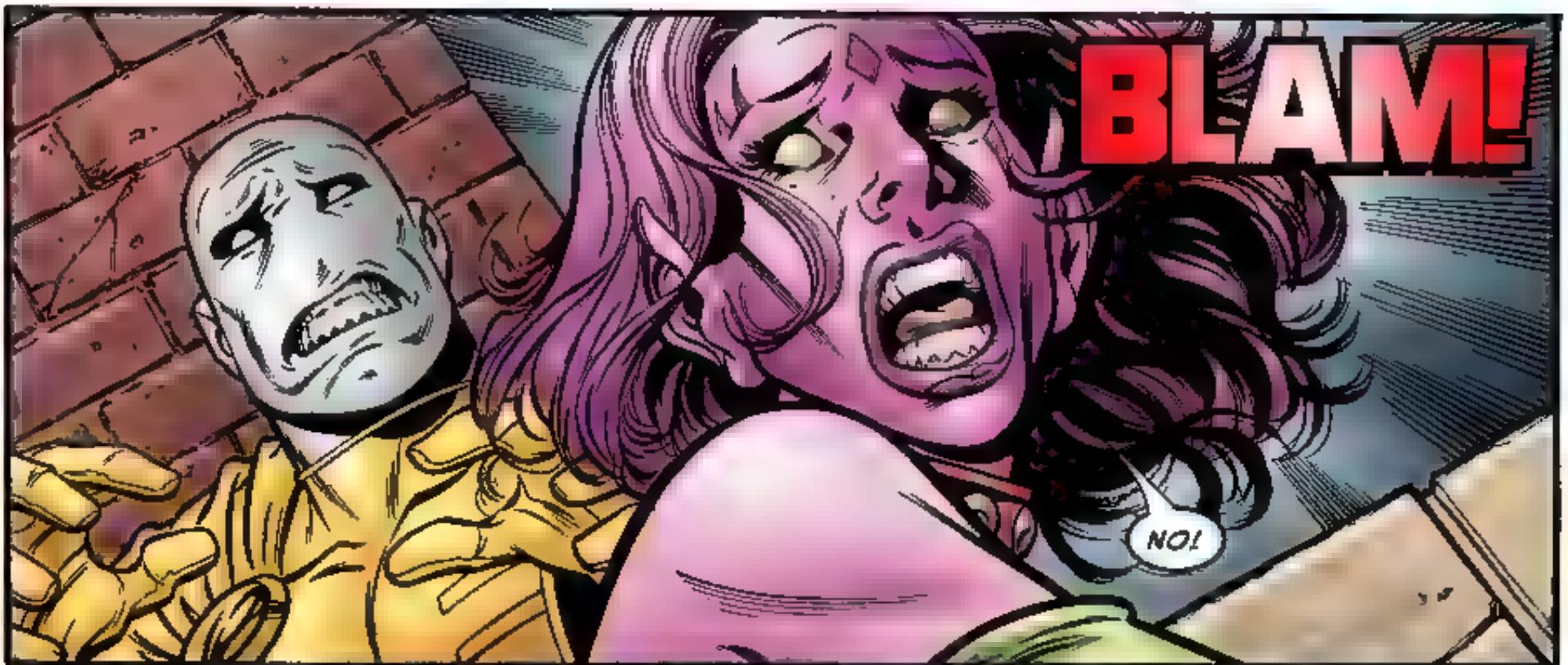
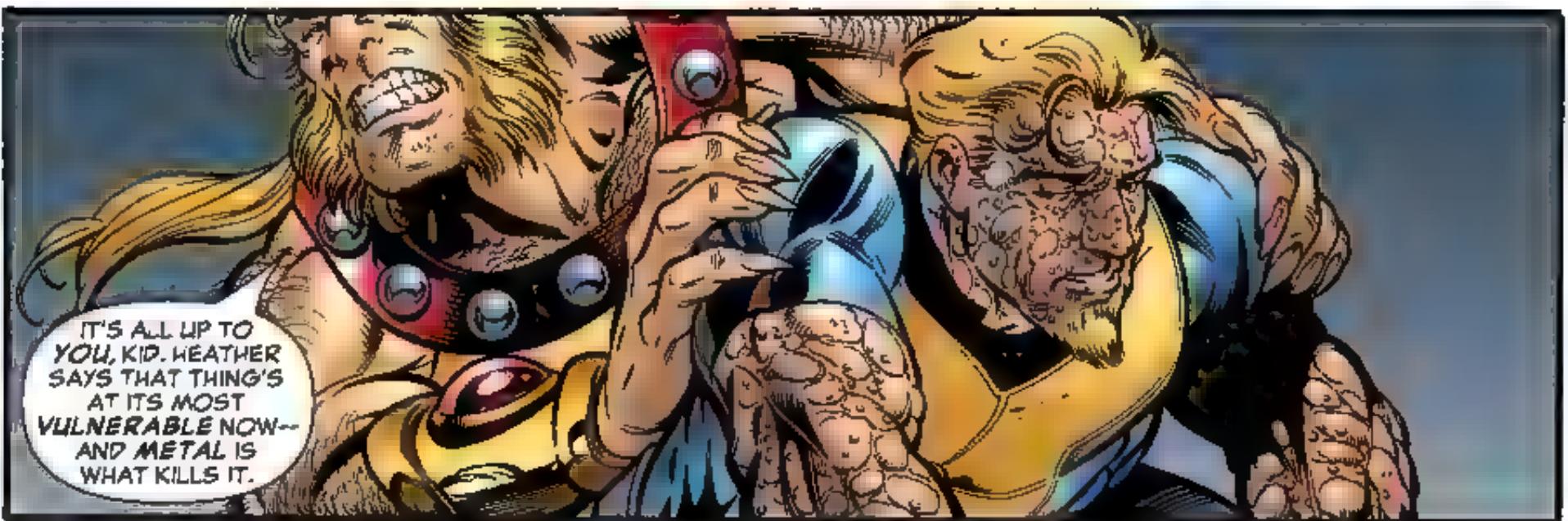
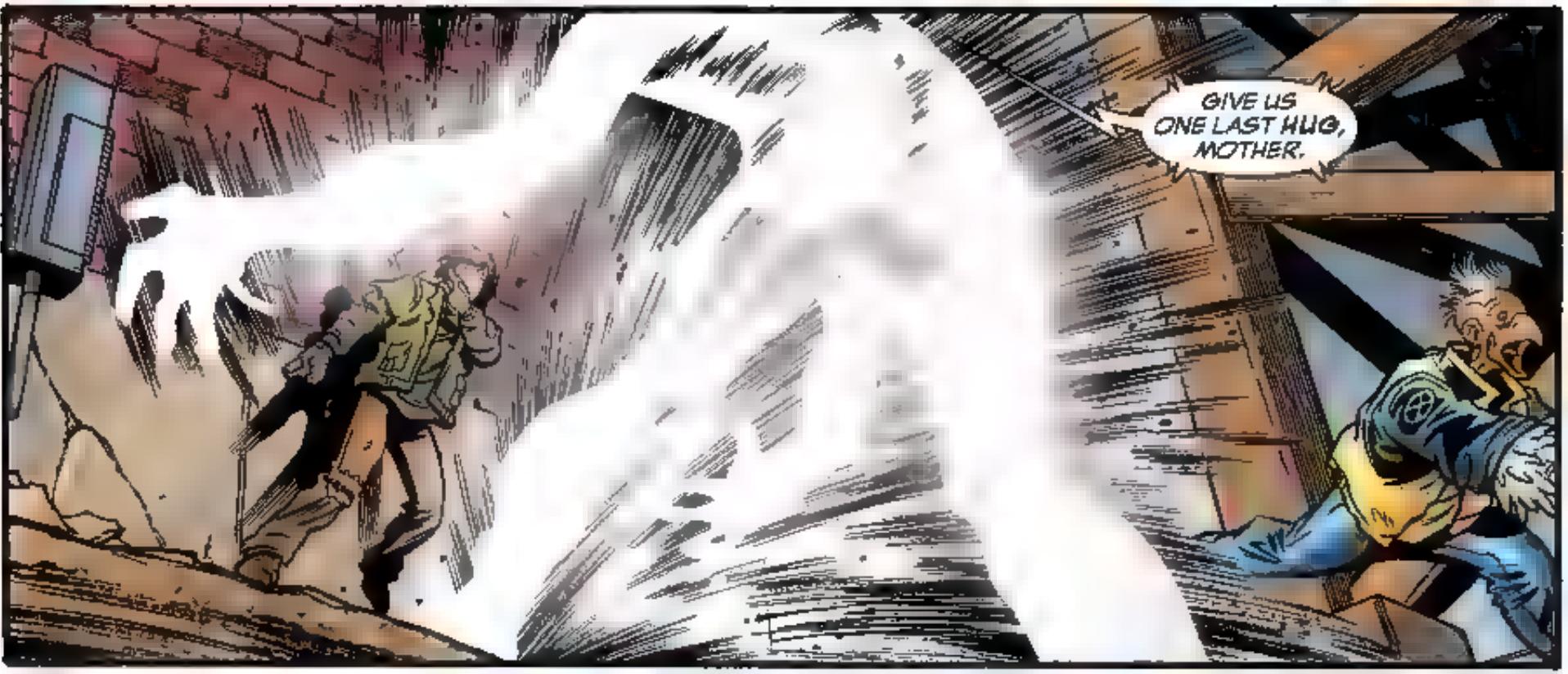


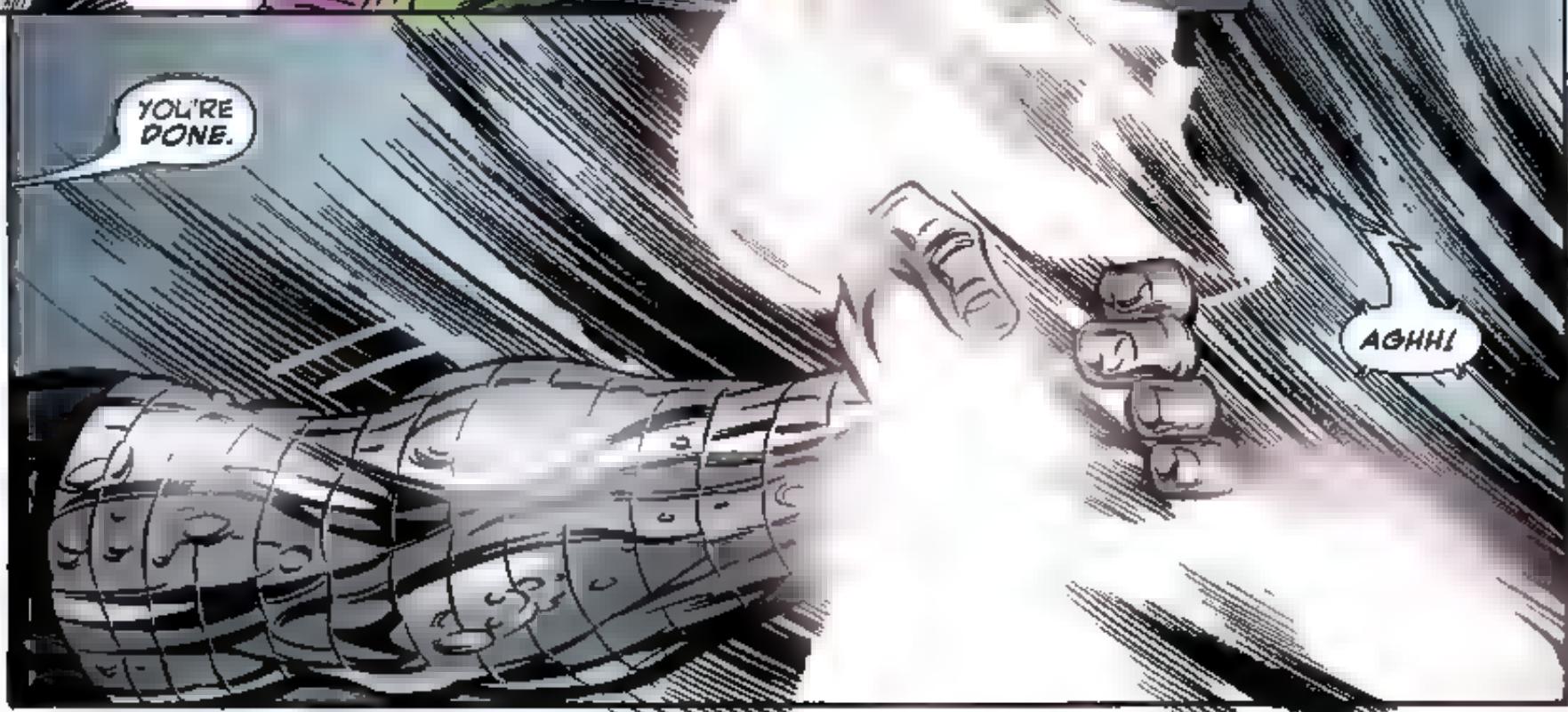




BLAM!







LET GO!
YUUR KILLIN'
ME!

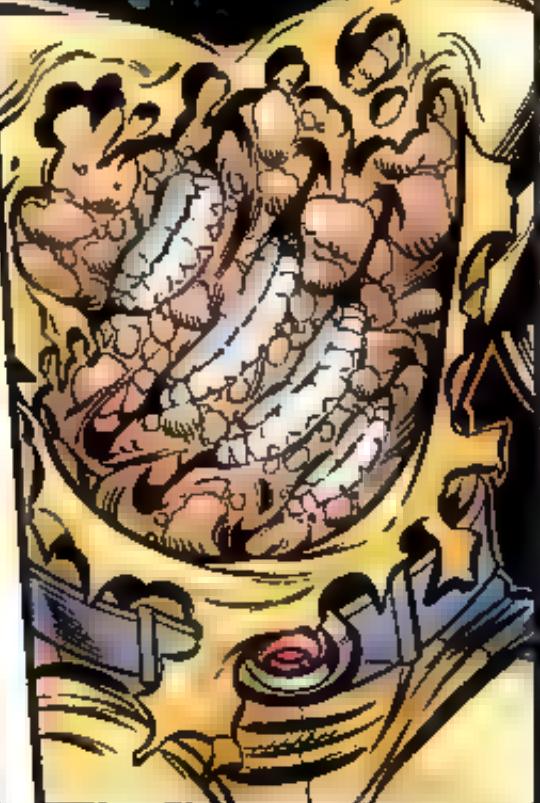
YOU
BROUGHT IT ON
YOURSELF.

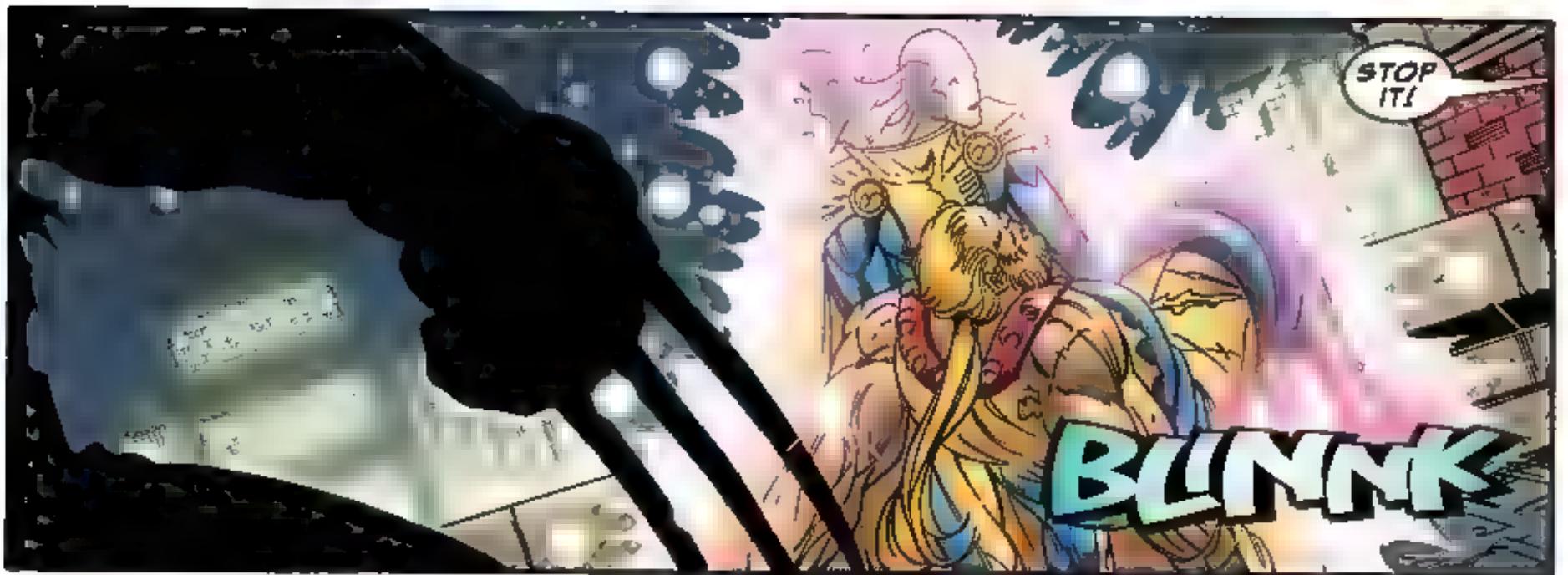
NO! YUUR
NO MURDERER!
YE MADE A SACRED
OATH! I SAW IT IN
YUUR MIND!

CALVIN, LISTEN
TO THAT LITTLE VOICE IN
YUUR HEART--THE ONE
THAT SAYS--

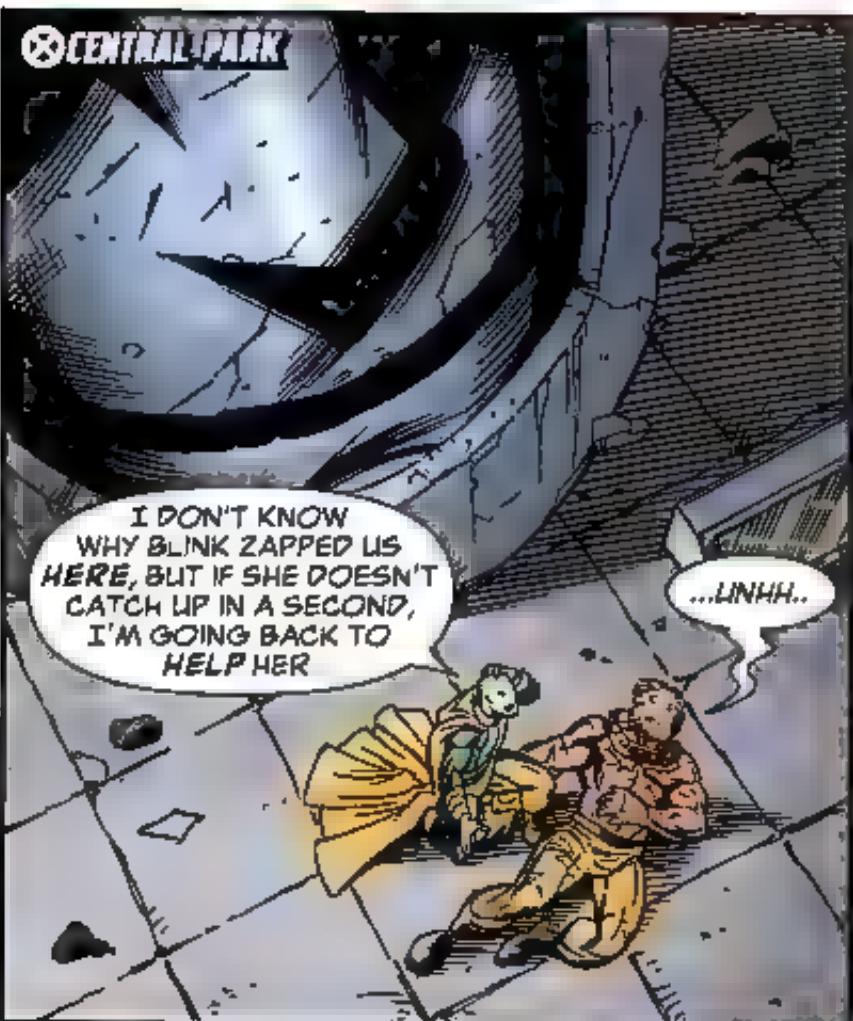
"HA, HA--"

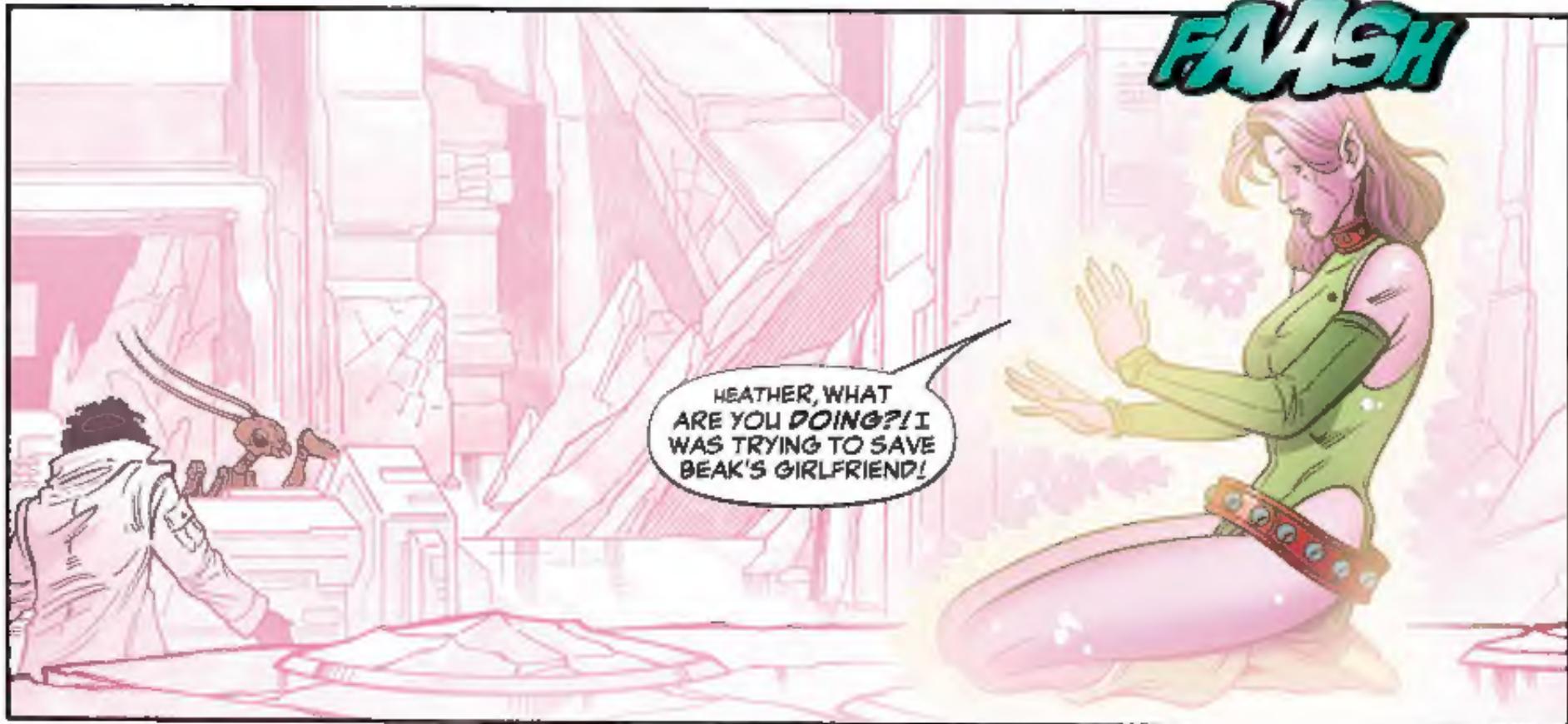












"DON'T ASK ME HOW, BUT WANDA MAXIMOFF USED THAT MUTANT HEX POWER OF HERS TO RESHAPE THEIR WHOLE WORLD--MAKING MUTANTS THE MAJORITY."

BLINK! COME BACK!

...NNN...

"MAYBE HER ABILITY TO ALTER PROBABILITY FIELDS GOT SUPER-CHARGED SOMEHOW, I DON'T KNOW."

ANGEL? CAN YOU HEAR ME?

...OHHH...

"THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT OUR SCANNERS SAY SHE'S STARTING TO REMAKE REALITY SIX-ONE-SIX AGAIN."

"IF I DIDN'T PULL YOU OUT NOW, YOU MIGHT NOT EVEN EXIST ANYMORE IN WHATEVER NEW REALITY TAKES ITS PLACE."

"I MEAN, WHO KNOWS HOW SHE'LL CHANGE EVERYTHING THIS TIME..."

